## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An EL element includes a) an outer connecting part, b) a light-transmitting and insulating sheet type substrate, c) a light-transmitting electrode layer formed on the substrate wholly or except the outer connecting part in a specific pattern, d) a light emitting layer formed on the light-transmitting electrode layer in a specific pattern, e) a dielectric layer formed on the light emitting layer in a specific pattern, f) a backside electrode layer formed on the dielectric layer in a specific pattern, g) an insulating layer formed on the backside electrode layer and the light-transmitting electrode layer except the outer connecting part, and h) a shielding layer formed on the insulating layer in a specific pattern. The light-transmitting electrode layer or the backside electrode layer is coupled with the shielding layer. The EL element can reduce the size of the outer connecting part, and coupling for the device becomes easy.

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